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THE LORD'S DAY

OCTOBER 25, 2020

REFLECTION & PREPARATION

***CALL TO WORSHIP**PSALM 96:1-9

Oh sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the LORD all the earth!

Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the LORD made the heavens.

Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength!

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts!

Worship the LORD in splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***INVOCATION**

***HYMN OF PRAISE**BEHOLD OUR GOD

WORDS & MUSIC: JONATHAN RYAN, MEGHAN BAIRD, & STEPHEN ALTROGGE

Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice;
All creation rises to rejoice

**Behold our God, seated on His throne
Come, let us adore Him
Behold our King, nothing can compare
Come, let us adore Him!**

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

Who has felt the nails upon His hands
bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal, humbled to the grave;
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign!

MEN: You will reign forever

WOMEN: Let Your glory fill the earth

SCRIPTURE READING.....JUDGES 19

HYMN OF ADORATION.....JOYFUL, JOYFUL

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,
Opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day.

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee,
Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,

Chanting bird and flowing fountain,
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living,
Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father Christ, our Brother—
All who live in love are Thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the happy chorus
Which the morning stars began;
Father love is reigning o'er us,
Brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife.
Joyful music leads us sunward
In the triumph song of life.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

**Almighty Father, God of gods and Lord of lords,
Father to the fatherless, Husband to the widow,
Defender of the helpless, Judge of all the earth, have
mercy on us.**

**We have not sought freedom for the oppressed,
even though you freed us.**

**We have not bound up the broken even though you
healed us.**

**We have not forgiven others even though you forgave
us.**

**We withhold kindness from the needy even though you
freely gave us your own Son.**

**We are without excuse, but not without hope.
By your power and grace, account our sins to Jesus'
bloody death**

**and amend our ways by the power of his glorious
resurrection.**

Please silently confess your sin before the LORD.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON.....HEBREWS 10:4,12,14**

“For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins... But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God... For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.”

***HYMN OF ASSURANCEHIS MERCY IS MORE**

WORDS & MUSIC: MATT BOSWELL AND MATT PAPA

What love could remember, no wrongs we have done

Omniscient, all knowing, he counts not their sum

Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore

Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

Praise the Lord, his mercy is more

Stronger than darkness, new every morn

Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam,

What father so tender is calling us home

He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor,

Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

What riches of kindness he lavished on us,

His blood was the payment his life was the cost

We stood neath a debt we could never afford,

Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

SONG OF PREPARATION.....HE WILL HOLD ME FAST

WORDS: ADA HABERSHON MUSIC: MATT MERKER

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast
I could never keep my hold Through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold, He must hold me fast

*He will hold me fast He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so He will hold me fast*

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast
He'll not let my soul be lost, His promises shall last
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast
Justice has been satisfied, He will hold me fast
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight, When he comes at last

SHEPHERDING PRAYER.....RE DAN STEFFEN

SERMON.....JOHN 18:25-38A

²⁵ Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. So they said to him, "You also are not one of his disciples, are you?" He denied it and said, "I am not." ²⁶ One of the servants of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, "Did I not see you in the garden with him?" ²⁷ Peter again denied it, and at once a rooster crowed.

²⁸ Then they led Jesus from the house of Caiaphas to the governor's headquarters. It was early morning. They themselves did not enter the governor's headquarters, so that they would not be defiled, but could eat the Passover. ²⁹ So Pilate went outside to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" ³⁰ They answered him, "If this man were not doing evil, we would not have delivered him over to you." ³¹ Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him by your own law." The Jews said to him, "It is not lawful for us to put anyone to death." ³² This was to fulfill the word that Jesus had spoken to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

³³ So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴ Jesus answered, "Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?" ³⁵ Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶ Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world." ³⁷ Then Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice." ³⁸ Pilate said to him, "What is truth?"

SERMON NOTES

SELF-ABSORPTION AND ITS CURE

JOHN 18:25-38A

DENIAL

DELUSIONS

DECEIT

THE KING, THE KINGDOM, AND THE CURE

*HYMN OF RESPONSE.....O CHURCH ARISE

WORDS AND MUSIC: KEITH GETTY & STUART TOWNEND

O Church, arise, and put your armor on;
hear the call of Christ our Captain.

For now the weak can say that they are strong
in the strength that God has given.

With shield of faith and belt of truth
we'll stand against the devil's lies;
An army bold, whose battle cry is "Love,"
reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war to love the captive soul,
but to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole,
we will fight with faith and valor,
When faced with trials on every side,
we know the outcome is secure,
And Christ will have the prize for which he died:
an inheritance of nations.

Come see the cross, where love and mercy meet,
as the Son of God is stricken,
Then see his foes lie crushed beneath His feet
for the Conqueror has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away,
and Christ emerges from the grave,
This vict'ry march continues til the day
every eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit come, put strength in every stride,
give grace for every hurdle,
That we may run with faith to win the prize
of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way,
retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls and hunger
for the day when with Christ we stand in glory.

***BENEDICTION**

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

Ministry Partners: Aaron & Rachel Halbert - serving with MTW in Honduras

Our Troops: pray for our troops and their chaplains around the world

Church of the week: Christ Church Presbyterian, Mount Pleasant; Jon Payne, pastor

TRINITY FAMILY

Dave Tussey: recovering from heart bypass surgery

Herb Tait: relief from eye pressure issues

Jerry Smith: praise that he has returned home - pray for his blood pressure to be regulated, for continued memory recovery and improved physical abilities.

Frank Myers: recovery from back surgery

Linda Wactor: wisdom for doctors in managing her pain

Claudia Wilkes: recovering from ankle surgery

Lawton Porter: recovery from broken leg, ongoing therapy after brain aneurysm

Linda Wells: neuropathy, improved stamina

Christie Churchwell: relief from headaches

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